

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1800 - SB 2382

February 6, 2016

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes any person who holds a master's degree or who holds a bachelor's degree and is supervised by a physician to serve as a medical laboratory director with a restricted license at a hospital with 30 beds or less; provided the person meets all other qualifications of medical laboratory directors.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to the Tennessee Medical Laboratory Board rule 1200-06-01-.20, any individual wishing to become a medical laboratory director must, at a minimum be a physician, hold a doctoral degree, or pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-29-137, be a licensed dentist.
- Any person to whom this license applies is assumed to currently be a medical laboratory supervisor, medical laboratory technologist, medical laboratory technician, or special analyst, possessing the appropriate license required by each title.
- Pursuant to the Tennessee Medical Laboratory Board rule 1200-06-01-.06(3), licensure fee amounts are the same regardless of whether the applicant is seeking licensure to become a medical laboratory director, medical laboratory supervisor, medical laboratory technologist, medical laboratory technician, or special analyst.
- This legislation will not result in an increase in the number of personnel licenses issued by the Medical Laboratory Board.
- The Medical Laboratory Board will not collect any additional revenue nor incur any additional expenditures as a result of this legislation.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health related boards are required to be self-supporting over any two year period. The Medical Laboratory Board had surpluses of \$41,312 in FY13-14, \$124,137 in FY14-15, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$1,413,429 on June 30, 2015.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Krista M. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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